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1. MOST DELEGATES PROPOSED A NUMBER OF EDITORIAL CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS TO PAPERS DEALING WITH ENERGY, IRON ORE, SCRAP AND INDUSTRIAL/STRUCTURAL ADAPTATION. WP CONCURRED THAT ENERGY PAPER (DSTI/IND/IS/75.5) EXAGGERATED POTENTIAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY WHILE MINIMIZING IMPORTANCE OF HIGH OIL PRICES. WP NOTED, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT WHILE IRON/STEEL INDUSTRY CONSUMES ONLY 7 PERCENT OF OECD MEMBER COUNTRY ENERGY, THE REPORT DOES NOT ADEQUATELY REFER TO INFLATIONARY IMPACT OF HIGH OIL PRICES ON ALL FUELS AND SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION IN TRIGGERING CURRENT RECESSION. REPORT WILL BE REVISED TO REFLECT THESE COMMENTS.

2. SCRAP REPORT (DSTI/IND/IS/75.6) SPARKED CONSIDERABLE DEBATE LARGELY ON ISSUE AS TO WHAT EXTENT SCRAP IS UNCLASSIFIED

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OBSERVED THAT REFERENCES TO FREE MARKET IN CONCLUSIONS WERE IRRELEVANT IN REAL WORLD OF GOVERNMENTAL CONTROLS, AND THAT WP SHOULD HAVE FOCUSED ON COMPARABLE STATISTICAL DATA RE THE SCRAP TRADE. WP ALSO EXPRESSED MUCH DISSATISFACTION WITH CONCLUSIONS WHICH WERE REplete WITH UNCERTAINTIES (SEE PARA 112 OF 75.6). AS RESULT CHAIR DRAFTED NEW CONCLUSIONS WHICH ARE, ESSENTIALLY, DESCRIPTION OF SCRAP INDUSTRY. LARGELY BECAUSE OF WP'S UNHAPPINESS WITH THIS REPORT, WP RECOMMENDED THAT WHILE FOUR REPORTS CAN BE DERESTRICTED, THEY SHOULD NOT BE PUBLISHED.

3. THE MANDATE

THE CHAIR SAID THAT WITH COMPLETION OF THE FOUR REPORTS, WP HAD FULFILLED ITS MANDATE, AND REPORTS WOULD GO FORWARD TO INDUSTRY COMMITTEE IN MARCH. CANADIAN DEL CONCURRED WITH CHAIR THAT MANDATE WAS FULFILLED AND SUGGESTED THAT WHILE WP SHOULD NOT BE ABOLISHED, IT SHOULD REMAIN "DORMANT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS NEED ARISES". USDEL SUPPORTED CANADIAN VIEW. CHAIR SAID STATUS OF WP WILL BE DECIDED BY INDUSTRY COMMITTEE. GERMAN DEL WAS IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH US AND CANADA AND NOTED THAT SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN EUROPE ARE UNDERTAKING RELEVANT STUDIES. HE STATED, HOWEVER, THAT WP SHOULD CONTINUE TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION ON INVESTMENT PROJECTS. CANADA CONCURRED WITH IMPORTANCE OF EXCHANGING THIS INFORMATION BUT SAID THAT NO NEW MEETINGS WERE NECESSARY. CHAIR SUPPORTED CANADIAN DEL ADDING THAT NEW INVESTMENT PROJECTS AT PRESENT WOULD BE TOO MODEST TO WARRANT WP EXAMINATION. TURNER

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